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News & Information

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OTCAC Update

The Olney Town Center Advisory Committee continues to seek community input on its illustration of the 2005 Master Plan update for the 90-acre mixed-use Olney Town Center area. The next presentation of their plan will take place on Wednesday, April 30 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the RE/MAX Building. The OTCAC is chartered by the Maryland National Park & Planning Commission to create a common community-based vision and guidelines for how the town center could look in the future and how it might function in relation to surrounding neighborhoods. The OTCAC is encouraging businesses to look at its visualization of a mixed-use town center and provide feedback. Visit www.olneytowncenter.org for more information.

Announcements:

- ▶ **Special Thanks:** Special Thanks to Martha and Charles Cunningham at Play N Trade for hosting last week's Biz Buzz. Many in attendance brought along their sons and daughters in honor of "take your child to work day." Kids young and old enjoyed networking and trying their hand at several video games.
- ▶ **Farmer's Market:** The Olney Farmer's Market will be open again starting May 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the Olney Town Center. For more info see www.olneyfarmersmarket.org.
- ▶ **Dine and Donate:** On Monday, April 28, Olney Chamber member Jose Vasquez owner of Olney Tavern will donate 20% of all sales to the American Cancer Society-Olney Relay for Life. The Olney Tavern is located at 18101 Town Center Drive. Stop in for a drink and a bite and support the Olney Relay for Life.
- ▶ **32nd Annual FORE! Your Health Golf and Tennis Classic:** Sponsored by Montgomery General, this annual classic offers both golf and tennis along with a continental breakfast, lunch and a reception/awards dinner. The Classic is scheduled for Thursday, May 15 at Manor Country Club. Please contact Kathy Parry at kparry@montgomerygeneral.com or 301.774.8777 with questions or to register.

Robyn Quinter ATHENA Recipient

Robyn Quinter of Quinter Design was selected as the recipient of the 3rd Annual Olney-Sandy Spring ATHENA Award. The award was presented during a luncheon at Brooke Grove Retirement Village on Friday, April 25.

Robyn Quinter has put her creative mark on the greater Olney area through her creation of brochures, directories, posters, invitations, t-shirts, ads, logos, programs and more for the last fifteen years. Some of the organizations that have benefited from Robyn's creativity are the Olney Chamber of Commerce, the Sandy Spring Museum, the Sandy Spring Volunteer Fire Department, the Olney Theatre Center, Brooke Grove Retirement Village, Salute to Military Golf, Montgomery Alliance, and Olney Help, just to name a few. Robyn is most proud of her advocacy on behalf of the MD Coalition of Families for Children's Mental Health. Jane Walker, Director of the Coalition, said that "Robyn's advocacy and concern for the children is unwavering."

Robyn's involvement and selflessness also spreads to education and mentoring. She is always ready and available to share her knowledge of graphic design and marketing through workshops and seminars. She mentors high school and college students who are considering the graphic design field.

Also nominated for this year's award were Diane Grimes, Anne Willson, Elizabeth Garrettson, and Esther Newman. All the candidates truly represented the spirit of the ATHENA Award, a dedication of self and a generosity of spirit. The Olney Chamber of Commerce would like to congratulate Robyn and all the nominees.

The Olney Chamber would like to thank Senator Rona Kramer for serving as the MC for the event and for her inspiring words. They would also like to thank the committee of Nancy Oschsenreiter and Lynelle Smith from Brooke Grove Retirement Village, Joyce Saunderson of the MGH Women's Board, Nadine Mort of the Sandy Spring Museum Board, Kulley Bancroft from the Sandy Spring Lions Club, and Pam Spears from the Olney Chamber. Also a big thank you to our corporate sponsors this year, MGH Health Foundation, Kendall Capital Management, and Pamela Spears. Lastly the Chamber would like to thank our event partner Brooke Grove Foundation for hosting the luncheon and inviting us to their beautiful campus.

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